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Whereas fishing is an important recreational opportunity for the community and thus provides positive economic benefits for Lake Alice and the Tomahawk area. The problem that currently exists is that the fishing pressure is concentrated on Lake Alice and the Wisconsin River system during the spring prior to the start of the state wide game fishing season.

Whereas at the present, state law allows the harvesting of game fish on the Wisconsin River system and Lake Alice prior to opening day. Fishing for game fish is closed on all bodies of water surrounding the Wisconsin River and Lake Alice.

Whereas the current law causes fishing pressure to concentrate on these bodies of water resulting in the over harvesting of game fish.

Whereas, if the spring spawning season were closed to fishing, like other bodies of water in the area it would spread the harvesting of legal fish throughout the regular open season.

Be it resolved, that the majority of those attending the Spring Wildlife and Fisheries Rules Hearings at its annual meeting held in Lincoln County on April 10, 2006, recommends that the Department of Natural Resources take action to correct this situation, by introducing rules bringing into conformance with the inland game fishing season, Lake Alice and the Wisconsin River system from Kings Dam in a northerly direction to the Lincoln County line.

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